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Gastineau Channel and Taku Inlet

(NOAA Chart 17315)

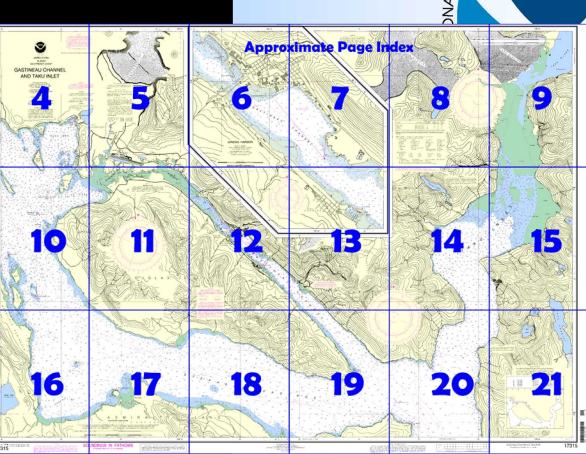


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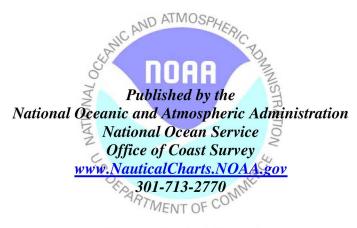
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What is a BookletChart[™]?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot 8, Chapter 9 excerpts]

(12) Glacial ice in varying quantities is prevalent in Icy Strait and Cross Sound throughout the year. The ice comes from Glacier Bay, and most of it is usually found at Glacier Bay entrance and from there to Inian Islands. It is quite thick in Cross Sound, and ice has been seen 10 to 15 miles seaward of Cape Spencer and as far E as Point Augusta. The pieces are large enough to make them dangerous to navigation. Ice at times piles up heavily along the shore from Point Adolphus

to Eagle Point.

(114) **Point Arden** is a rocky bluff on the W side of Stephens Passage about 3.5 miles N of Grand Island and 11.2 miles from Juneau. **Point Arden Light** (58°09'33"N., 134°10'41"W.), is 50 feet (15.2 m) above the water.

- (115) **Taku Inlet**, on the E side of Stephens Passage, has its entrance about 2.7 miles NE of Point Arden Light. The inlet is about 15 miles long from **Bishop Point**, the W entrance point, to Taku Glacier at its head. (121) **Jaw Point** is the prominently projecting point on the E shore about 5.5 miles within the entrance; there are high cliffs on the E shore S of it. **Flat Point** is on the W shore 3 miles N of Jaw Point. **Greely Point**, on the E shore, 4 miles S of Jaw Point, is distinguished by its reddish-brown color.
- (122) **Sunny Cove** is on the W side of the inlet about 4 miles above **Cooper Point**, which is reddish-brown.
- (123) **Taku Point** is on the E shore S of the mouth of Taku River and 4.5 miles N of Flat Point.
- (124) **Norris Glacier** is on the W side of Taku Inlet, about 4.5 miles N of Flat Point.
- (126) **Taku Glacier**, the discharge of which is blamed for filling in the head of the inlet, is almost the only one of all Alaska's glaciers that is still advancing.
- (128) Small craft should exercise caution when maneuvering in shoal water especially off Sunny Cove, Annex Creek Power Station, and off **Turner Creek** on the E side of Taku Inlet.
- (129) **Gastineau Channel**, separating Douglas Island from the mainland, extends NW for 13 miles from Stephens Passage, and then W for 2.5 miles to Fritz Cove. The section of the channel from **Salmon Creek** NW for about 2 miles is marked by seasonal buoys.
- (133) **Marmion Island**, about 300 yards to the NE of Point Tantallon, the SE point of Douglas Island and the SW point of the SE entrance to Gastineau Channel is small, flat-topped, and bushy. **Marmion Island Light** (58°11'55"N., 134°15'25"W.), is 50 feet (15.2 m) above the water. (135) **Sheep Creek** Flat, 4.5 miles above Marmion Island and close S of Thane, on the E side of Gastineau Channel, extends 0.25 mile across the channel from the mouth of Sheep Creek and bares.
- (136) **Thane** is a residential section of the borough of Juneau on the NE side of Gastineau Channel, 5 miles from Stephens Passage.
- (137) **Juneau Isle**, a small wooded promontory opposite the S edge of Douglas, is connected to Douglas Island by a roadway.
- (138) **Douglas** is a residential section of the borough of Juneau on the SW side of Gastineau Channel, about 6.5 miles from Stephens Passage. (141) **Douglas Boat Harbor**, on the inshore side of Juneau Isle, has a Federal project depth of 12 feet.
- (143) The delta off the mouth of **Lawson Creek**, about 0.8 mile NW of Douglas, is marked by a light.
- (145) **Juneau**, the State capital of Alaska, is a thriving city. The city's primary commerce is in containerized cargo, fish and fish products, petroleum products, and tourism.
- (147) The approach through Fritz Cove and **Mendenhall Bar** from the NW is narrow, shallow, and seasonally marked to show the best water; this approach should be attempted only during high water.
- (188) False Arden is a prominent point 1 mile WNW of Point Arden.
- (189) **Douglas Island**, between Stephens Passage and Gastineau Channel, is large and wooded.
- (190) **Point Tantallon**, a timbered point with a rocky beach, is at the SE extremity of Douglas Island. **Icy Point** is 0.6 mile W of Point Tantallon. (191) **Point Hilda**, the W point of a large bight, is about 8 miles to the W of Point Tantallon. **Point Hilda Light** (58°13'02"N., 134°30'23"W.), is 20 feet (6.1 m) above the water.
- (192) **Inner Point**, marked by a daybeacon, is 2.8 miles W of Point Hilda. **Middle Point**, 4.3 miles WNW of Point Hilda, is marked by a light; a shoal extends 0.2 mile off the point.
- (194) **Point Young** (58°11.6'N., 134°33.7'W.) is on the S side of Stephens Passage about 12.2 miles W of Point Arden.
- (195) **Admiralty Cove** is on the S side of Stephens Passage W of Point Young.
- (197) **Young Bay** is the broad bight in the S shore of Stephens Passage W of Point Young. **Scull Island**, a grass-covered rock 53 feet high with deep water around it, is in the middle of the entrance.

Corrected through NM Nov. 25/06 Corrected through LNM Nov. 14/06



Numerous uncharted mooring buoys are located in the northeast corner of Auke Bay.

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Mercator Projection Scale 1:40,000 at Lat.58°18' North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS (FATHOMS AND FEET TO ELEVEN FATHOMS) AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

CAUTION

SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES

Charted submarine pipelines and submarine cables and submarine pipeline and cable areas are shown as:

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anothoring diseasing or rewiling. anchoring, dragging, or trawling.
Covered wells may be marked by lighted or

unlighted buoys.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 8 for important supplemental information.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

CAUTION

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Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.

Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial

broadcasting stations are subject to error and

should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:

(Accurate location) o(Approximate location)

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

POLITION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous sub-stances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Mt. Robert Barron, AK CZZ-87 162.450 MHz Cape Fanshaw, AK Juneau, AK WXJ-25 162.550 MHz

Table of Selected Chart Notes

HORIZONTAL DATUM

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The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 1.189' southward and 6.395' westward to agree with this chart.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed in Gastineau

NOTE B

The mud flat in front of Taku Glacier is expanding rapidly to the southwest. Nineteen ninety-seven survey data reveal that extensive shoaling has occurred from Jaw Point to Davidson Point and is expected to continue. Passage through this area should not be attempted without local knowledge.

MENDENHALL BAR

Due to shoaling in this area, mariners are cautioned to attempt passage only at high water with local knowledge. Between Buoy "7" and Daybeacon "14", unlighted buoys are used to mark the channel from April 1 to October 15.

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, <u>United States Coast Pilot.</u>

CAUTION

This chart has been corrected from the Notice to Mariners (NM) published weekly by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and the Local Notice to Mariners (LNM) issued periodically by each U.S. Coast Guard district to the dates shown in the lower left hand corner. Chart updates corrected from Notice to Mariners published after the dates shown in the lower left hand corner are available at

COLREGS, 80,1705 (see note A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.
The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

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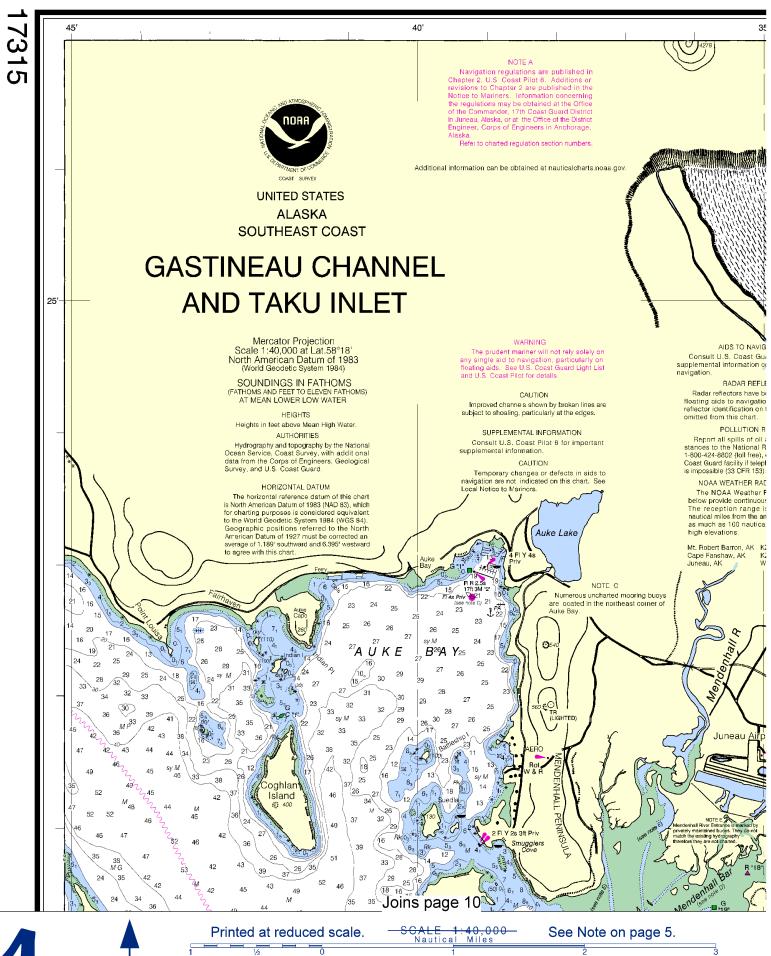
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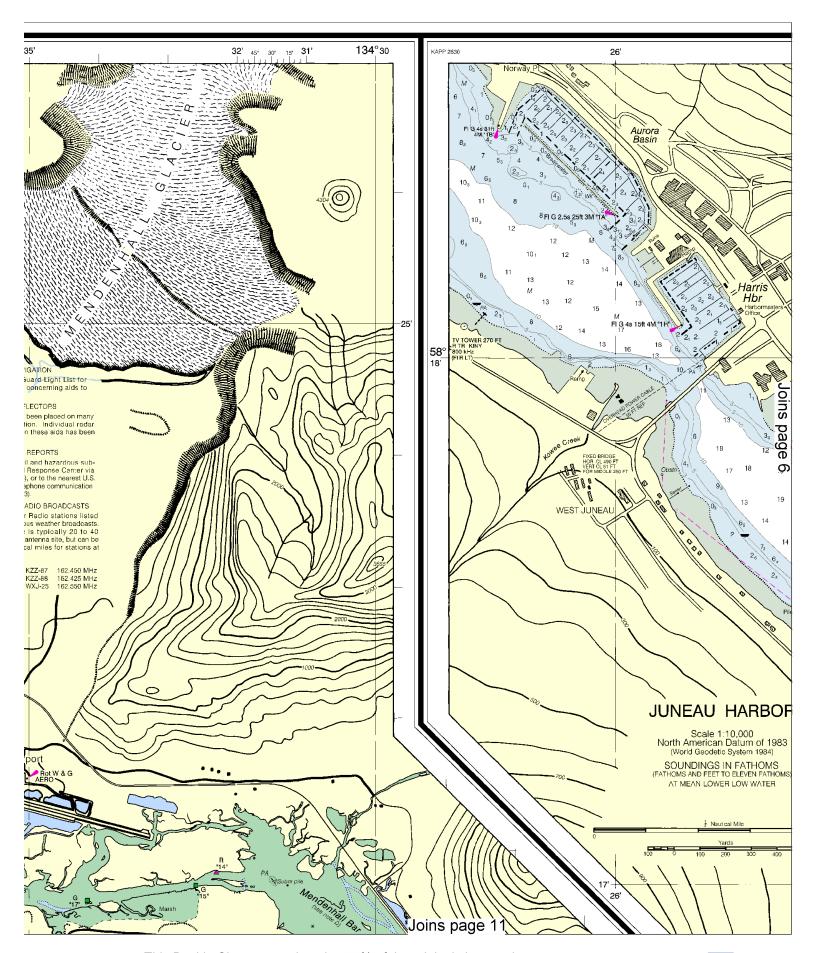
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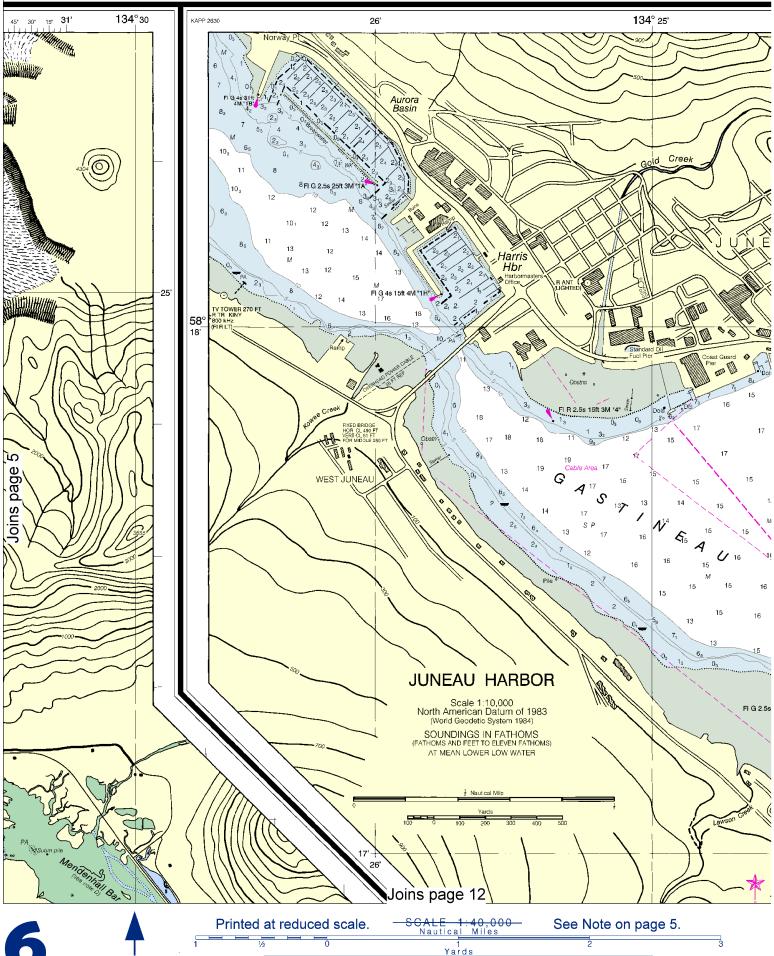
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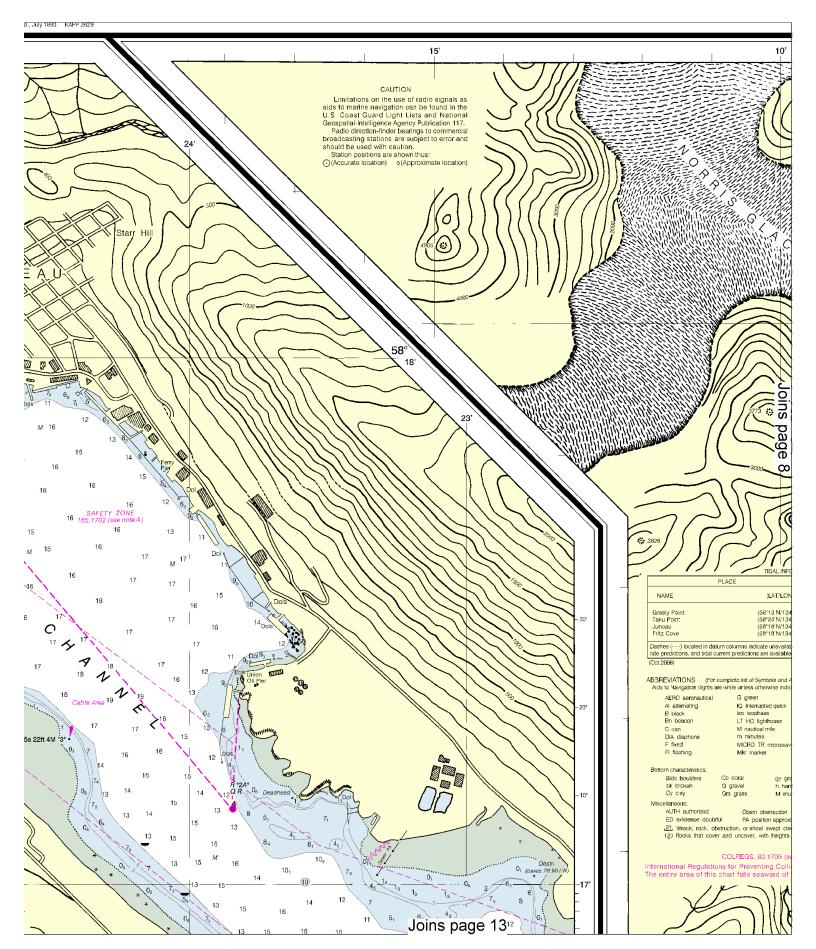




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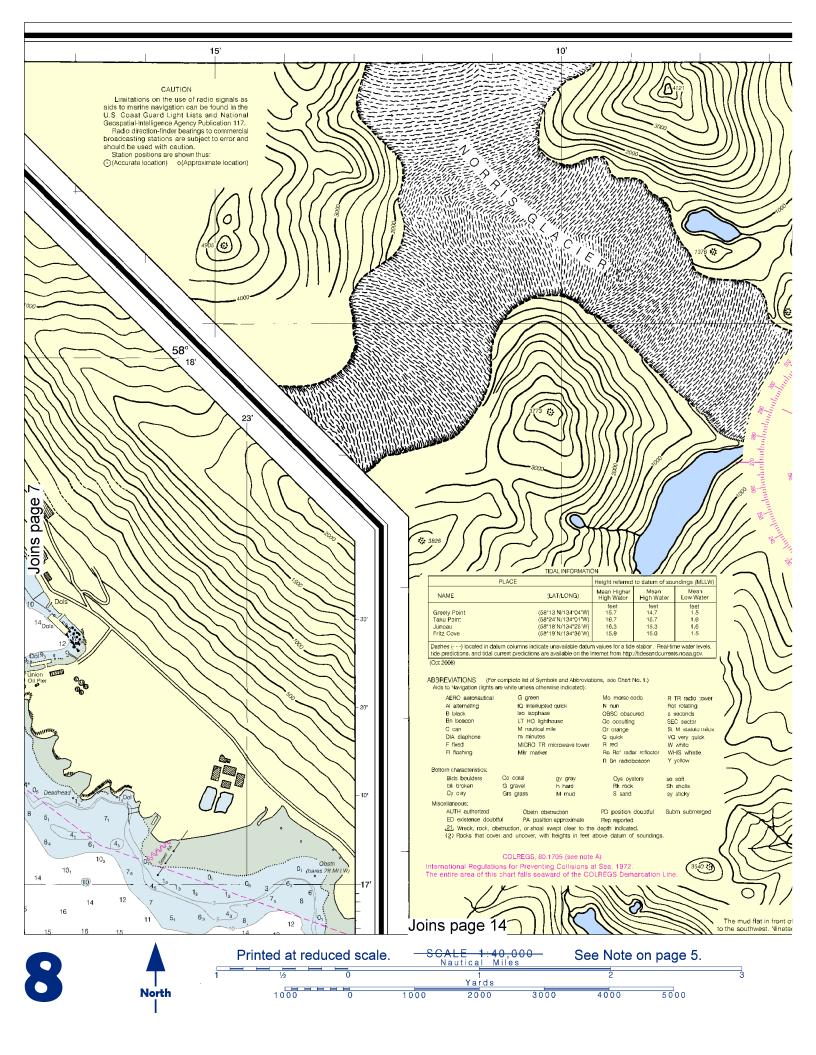


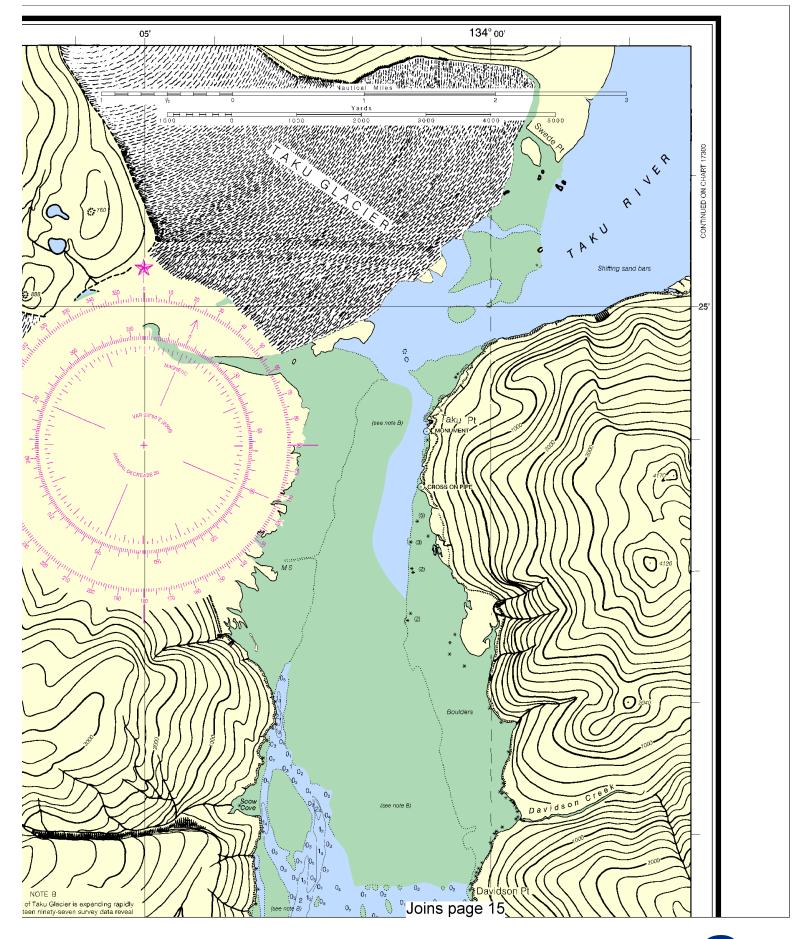


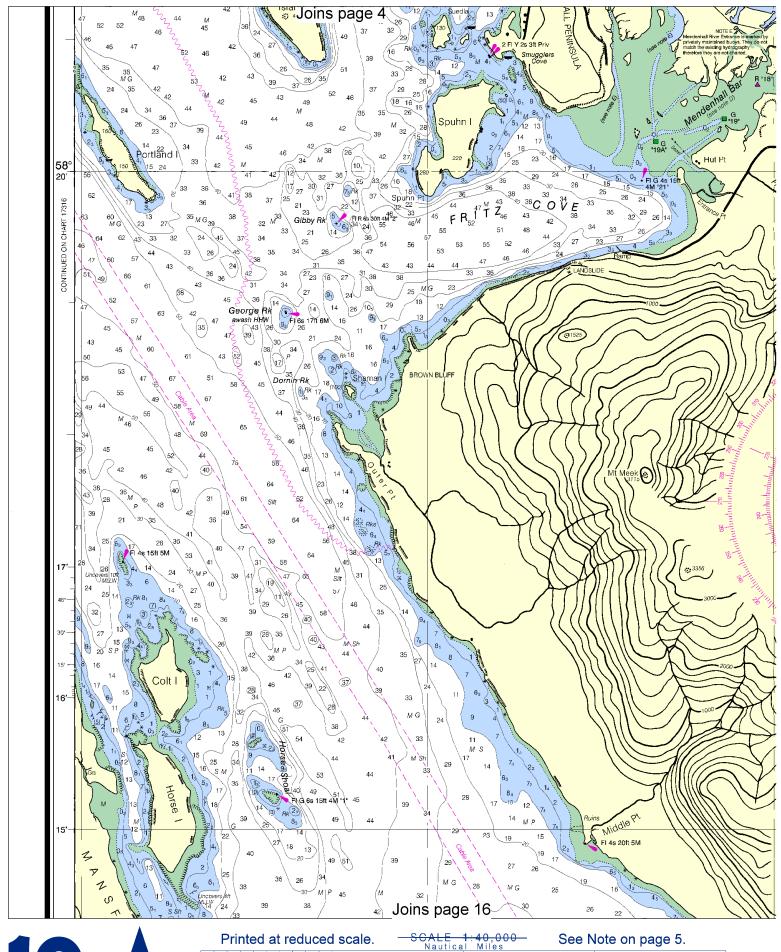






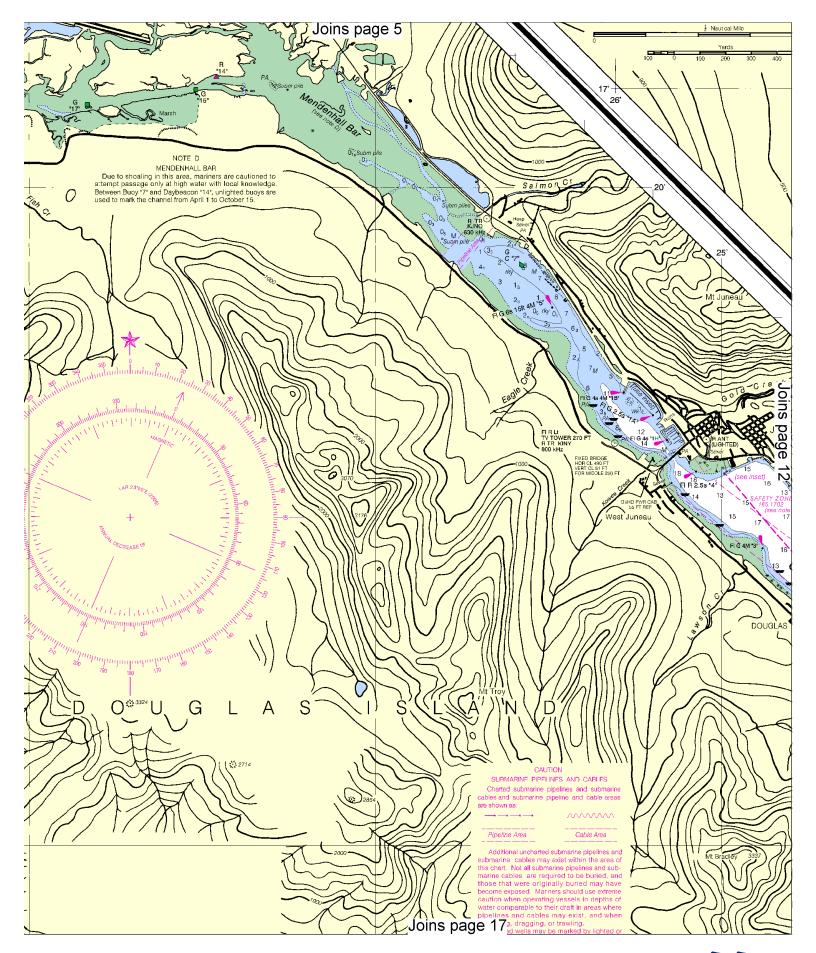


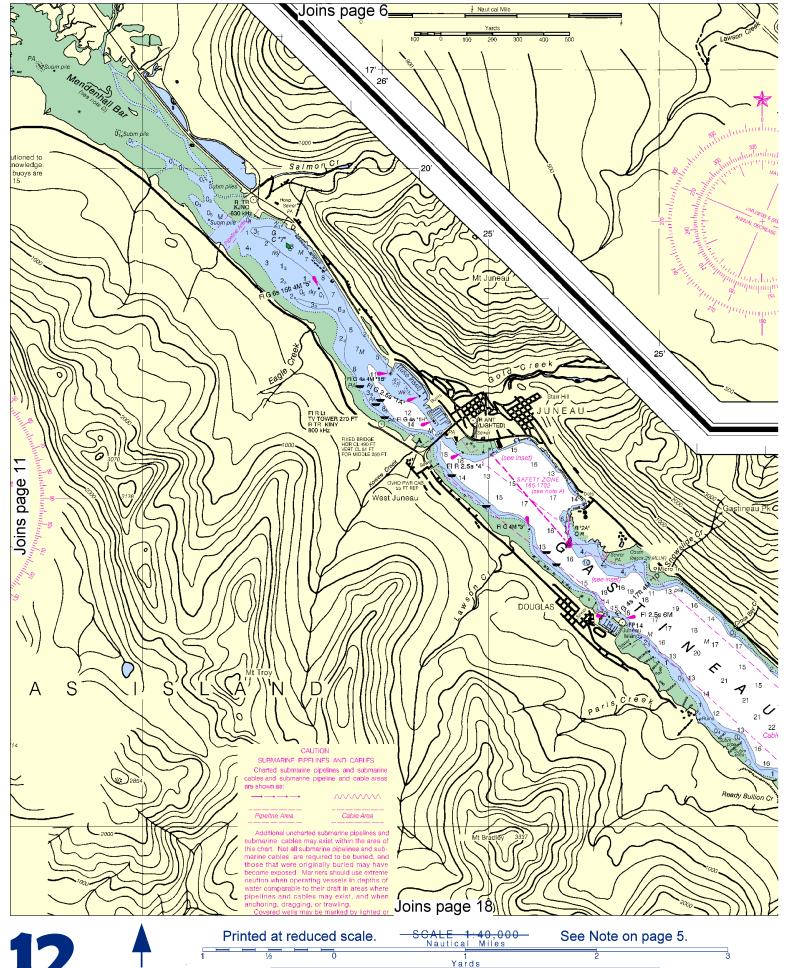




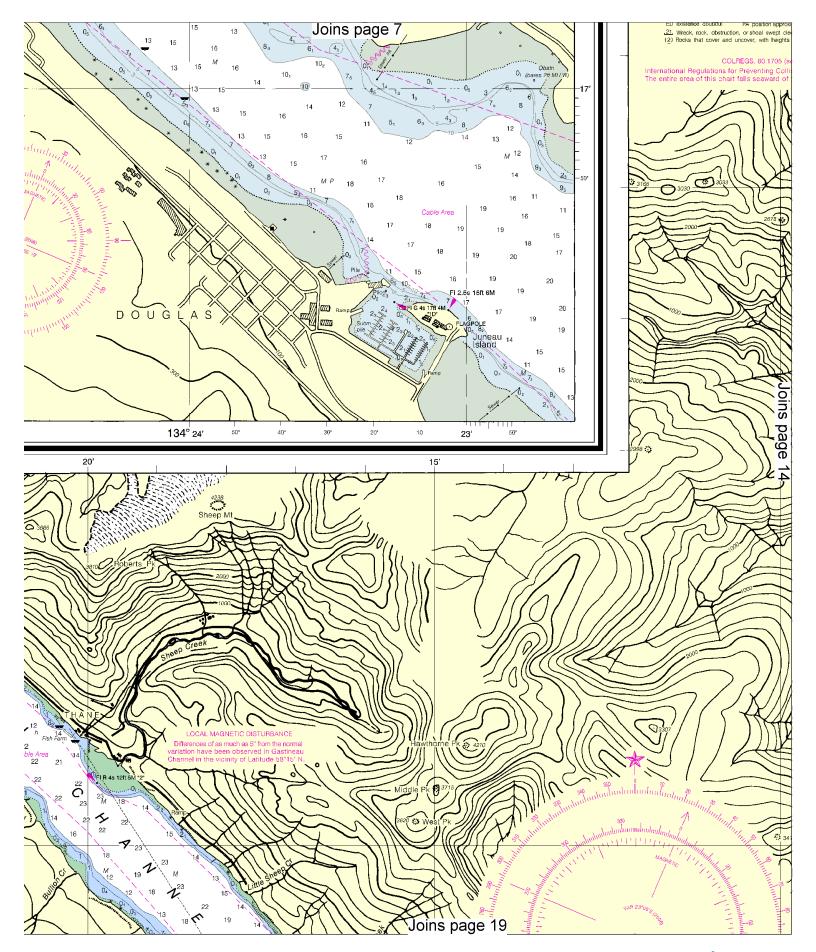


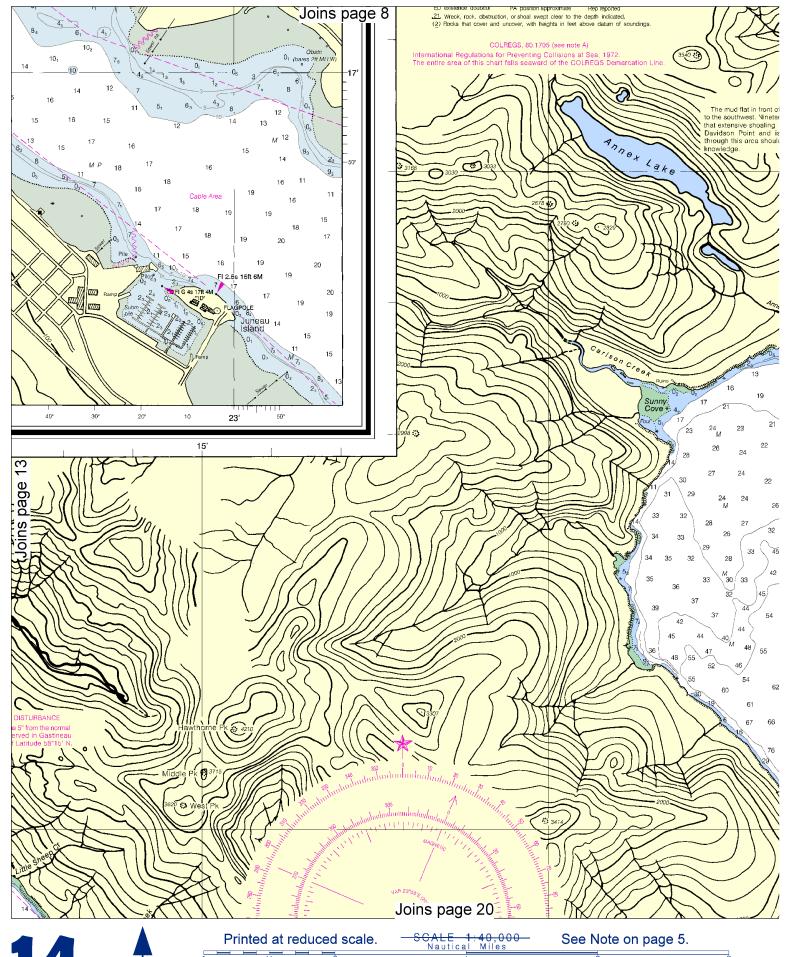




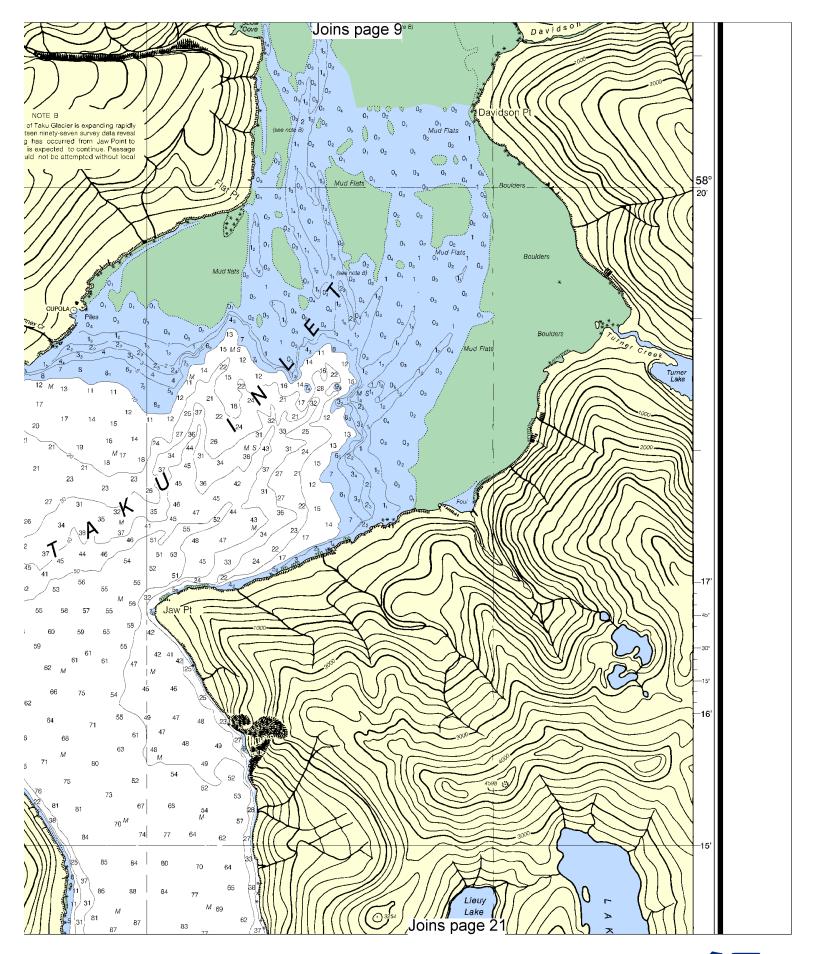


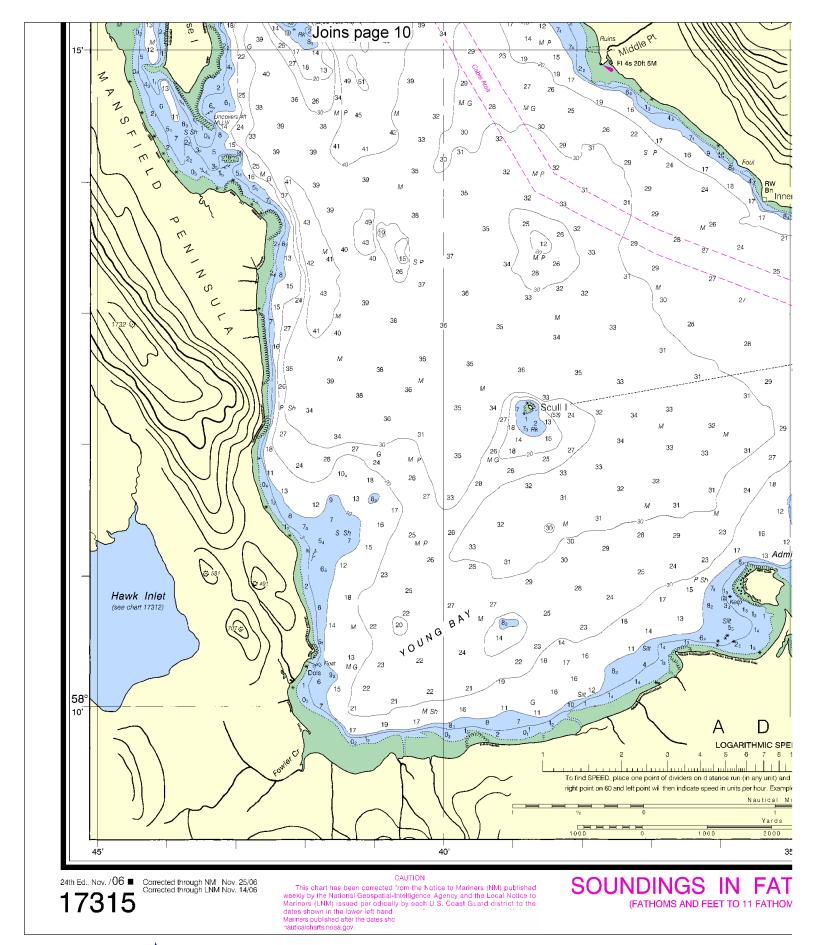




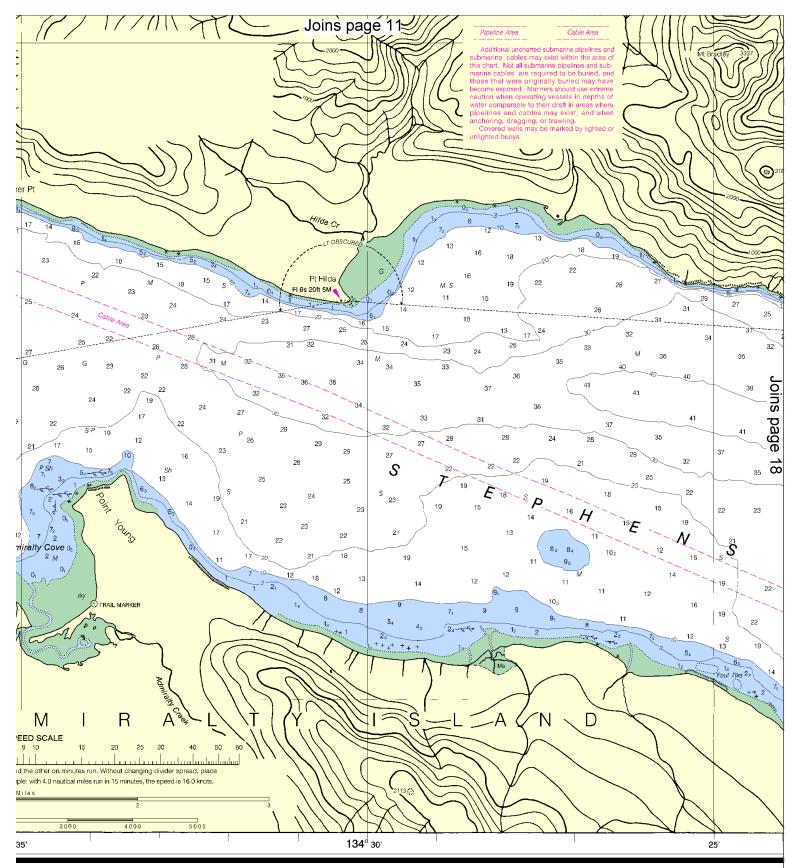






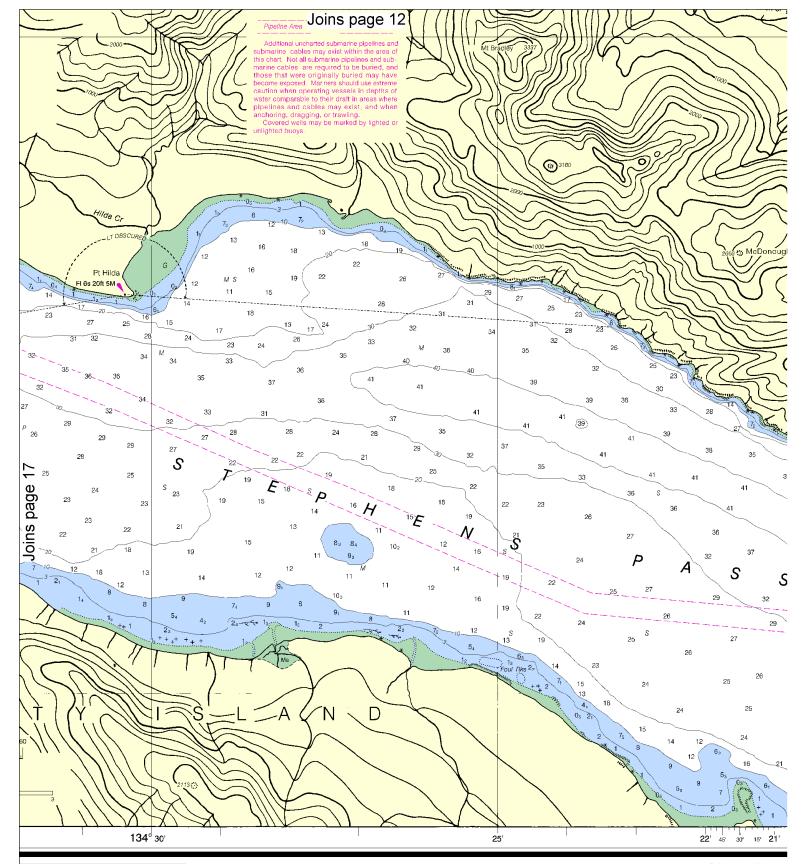






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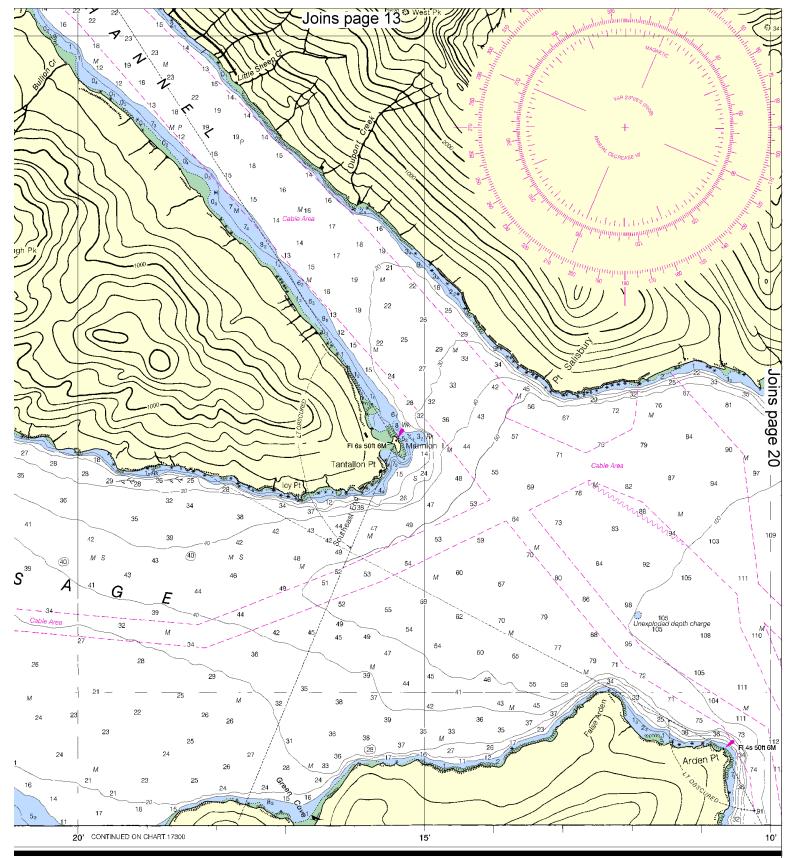


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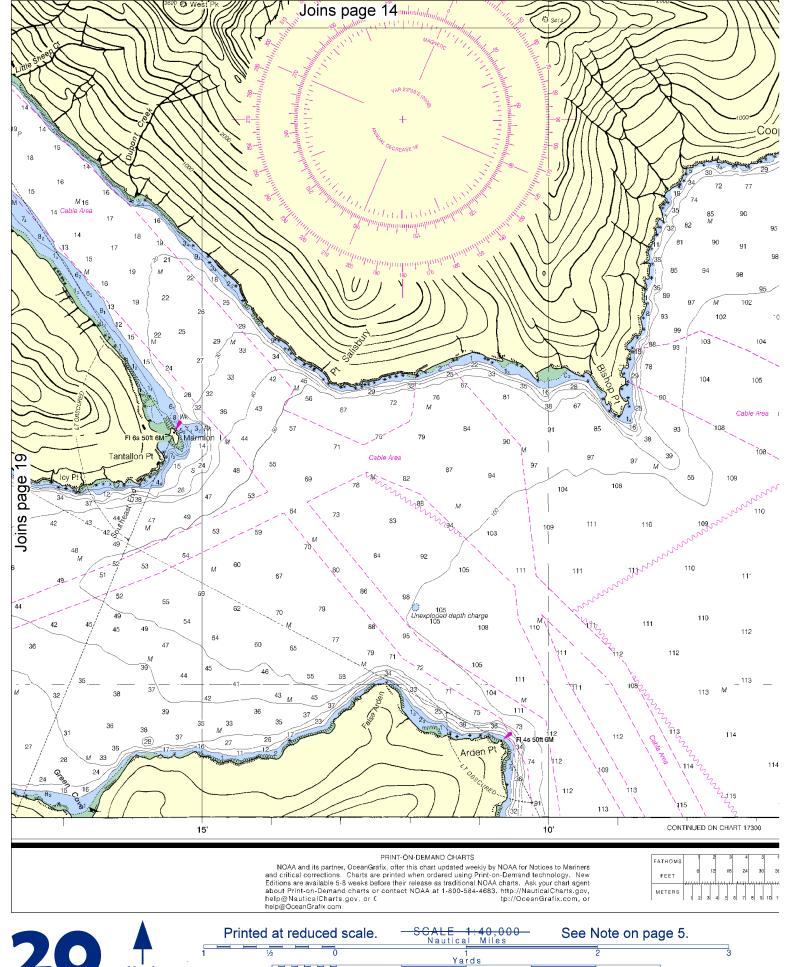


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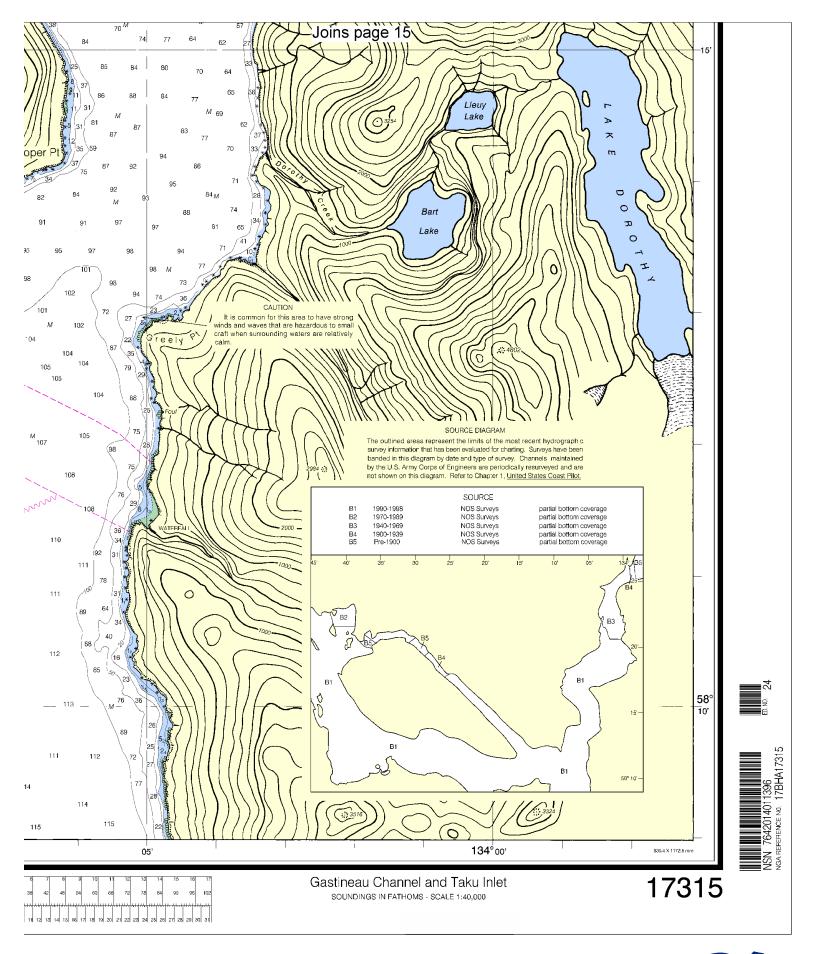
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Distress Call Procedures

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!!

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